

DEC 1 2 2003

Attorney's Docket No. 38190/267789

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



In re: Edward Litwinski, et al. Confirmation No.: 9631
Appl. No.: 10/631,906 Group Art Unit: 3679
Filed: July 31, 2003 Examiner: To be assigned
For: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING RIVETS
HAVING HIGH STRENGTH AND FORMABILITY

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SUPPLEMENTAL CITATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97

Attached is a Supplemental Form PTO-1449 listing several documents that were first cited in the International Search Report for the corresponding International Application Number PCT/US 03/13704 not more than three months prior to the filing of this Statement.

The Search Report is enclosed. In accordance with the Office waiver published July 11, 2003, copies of the cited U.S. patents and patent application publications are not enclosed. Applicant does enclose copies of any cited foreign patent documents and non-patent literature in accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2).

It is requested that the Examiner consider these documents and officially make them of record in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and Section 609 of the MPEP. By submitting the listed documents, Applicant in no way makes any admission as to the prior art status of the listed documents, but is instead submitting the listed documents for the sake of full disclosure.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nicholas F. Gallo".

Nicholas F. Gallo
Registration No. 50,135

CUSTOMER NO. 00826
ALSTON & BIRD LLP
Bank of America Plaza
101 South Tryon Street, Suite 4000
Charlotte, NC 28280-4000
Tel Charlotte Office (704) 444-1000
Fax Charlotte Office (704) 444-1111

In re: Edward Litwinski, et a.

Appl. No.: 10/631,90

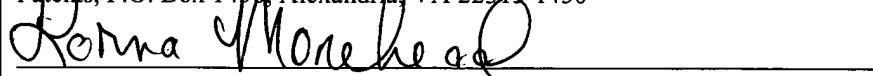
Filed: July 31, 2003

Page 2

"Express Mail" mailing label number EV 331609608 US

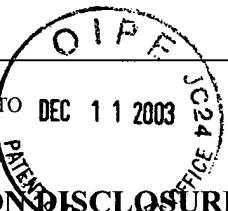
Date of Deposit December 11, 2003

I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450



Lorna Morehead

CLT01/4623628v1

| Substitute for form 1449/PTO (Revised 04/2003) | | | Complete if Known | | |
|---|----------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|
|  INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT <i>(Use as many sheets as necessary)</i> | | | Application Number | 10/631,906 | |
| Sheet | 1 | of | Filing Date | July 31, 2003 | |
| | | 1 | First Named Inventor | Edward Litwinski | |
| | | | Group Art Unit | 3679 | |
| | | | Examiner Name | To be assigned | |
| | | | Attorney Docket Number | 38190/267789 | |
| U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS | | | | | |
| Examiner Initials* | Cite No. | Document Number Number - Kind Code (if known) | Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY | Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document | Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages of Relevant Figures Appear |
| | 1 | US-6,230,957B1 | 05-15-2001 | Arbegast, et al. | |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS | | | | | |
| Examiner Initials | Cite No. | Foreign Patent Document Country Code - Number Kind Code (if known) | Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY | Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document | Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear |
| | 2 | EP 1 162 283 A2 | 12-12-2001 | The Boeing Com. | |
| | 3 | WO 97 15462 A | 05-01-1997 | Morley, et al. | |
| | 4 | WO 00/27559 | 05-18-2000 | Allfast Fastening | |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| OTHER DOCUMENTS | | | | | |
| Examiner Initials | Cite No. | Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s) , volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published. | | | English Language Translation Attached |
| | 5 | DONALD S. CLARK, Ph.D. and WILBUR R. VARNEY, M.S., <i>Physical Metallurgy For Engineers</i> , January 31, 1962, four pages, second edition, D. Van Nostrand Company, Inc., Princeton, New Jersey | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| Examiner Signature | | | | Date Considered | |

*Examiner: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.